



US 95 MP 42 to 66

Engineering and Environmental Study



PUBLIC MEETING

August 22, 2007

Purpose of Meeting

Welcome to the Public Meeting for the United States 95 (US 95) Milepost (MP) 42 to MP 66 project. The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) are initiating an engineering and environmental study for possible improvements along US 95 between approximate MP 42 and MP 66, located on the U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) in Yuma and La Paz Counties, Arizona. The purpose of tonight's meeting is to provide you with information about the project and, more importantly, to obtain your input.

Project Background

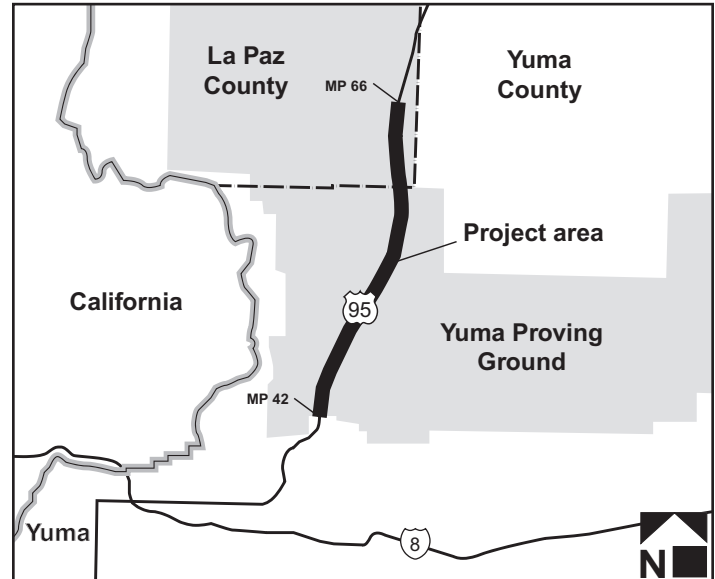
US 95 is a two-lane roadway serving as the north-south link between Interstate 8 in Yuma and Interstate 10 in Quartzsite. US 95 functions as a trade route for commerce between Mexico and the United States. Within the study area, US 95 provides access to the YPG for commercial and military vehicles and also conveys agricultural and recreational traffic as it provides access to Martinez and Mittry Lakes and the Colorado River and Imperial Dam recreational facilities.

This corridor experiences large increases of traffic during the winter months due to seasonal visitors and agricultural workers. Increasing capacity and improving operational characteristics are concerns along US 95 due to steadily increasing traffic throughout the region and growth in the Yuma area. Projected development and increased operations at YPG are expected to add to the capacity and operational concerns for this corridor.

Furthermore, US 95 is prone to flooding within the study area. There are several areas where water overtops the existing roadway during heavy storms resulting in lengthy closures of US 95 until the flooding subsides and the roadway becomes passable again.

Project Schedule

After the project team receives your input, alternatives will be considered. Once the alternatives are identified, a second public meeting will be held to obtain public input on the alternatives developed. After receiving public input on the alternatives, a preferred alternative will be determined and the environmental document and a design concept report will be developed. Following the completion of



Project area

the environmental document and design concept report, project design and construction will commence as funding becomes available.

Project Team

ADOT and consultant representatives are available tonight to discuss the project and answer your questions. Mr. Tami Wollaston is ADOT's Project Manager from the Roadway Predesign Section, Mr. Danny Soliz is the Transportation Engineering Specialist from ADOT's Yuma District, Mr. Michael Daehler is the Environmental Planner from ADOT's Environmental Planning Group, and Ms. Lucy Shipp is the Yuma Public Involvement Officer from ADOT's Communication & Community Partnerships.

Assisting ADOT with the engineering effort is Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., with Mr. Ahmad Omais serving as their project manager. Mr. Mark Turner, with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., is responsible for the preparation of the environmental document. Representatives from the Project Team are wearing name tags so that you can easily recognize them.



Your Input

The primary objectives of this meeting are to learn about issues and concerns you feel should be addressed in this project, obtain your input on the preliminary project alternatives, and listen to your suggestions for solutions. Please take the time to put your comments in writing on the Comment Sheet, or speak with one of the Project Team members here tonight. The information received will be used in the development of the potential roadway improvements. Thank you for your participation.

The Arizona Department of Transportation would like to obtain your input regarding concerns and issues associated with the project. You may leave your comments tonight, or send your comments by **September 21, 2007** to:

*Michael Daehler
Arizona Department of Transportation
c/o Beth Defend
Logan Simpson Design Inc.
51 W. Third Street, Suite 450
Tempe, AZ 85281
Phone: 480-967-1343
Fax: 480-966-9232
e-mail: bdefend@lsdaz.com*

Notes

This image shows a blank sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and extend across the width of the page. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.